

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/541772 Confirmation No. 1465
Applicant : Hideo Hata et al.
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TC/A.U. : 1616
Examiner : Ali Soroush
Title : Water-Swellable Clay Mineral Laminated Powder, Dye-Water-Swellable Clay Mineral Complex And Composition Containing The Same
Docket No. : IWI-16117
Customer No. : 007609

AMENDMENT "C"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20091205)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir/Madam:

Prior to consideration of the concurrently filed Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review, Applicant hereby presents the following amendments:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.